Hongkong, April 18, 1891.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1891.

Established February,

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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. Groege Street & Co., 30, Cornhill. Gordon & Goron, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. W. M. WILLS, 151, Cannon Street, E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 150 Fleet Street.

ARIS AND EUROPE:—AMEDER PRINCE. *36. Rue Laravette. Paris.

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Banks.

NOTICE. DULES OF THE HONGKONG

SAVINGS' BANK. 1. -The business of the above Bank will | cheapest in proportion. be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year,

1. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having tive or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hangkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months a 5 per cent. per annum interest. 4.—Interest at the rate of 34 per cent. per amount will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances. 5. - Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pasa-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Dopositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send thom to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6. - Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7. Withdrawale may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the dapositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

> Hongkong & Shanghar Banking CORPORATION,

Acting Ohief Manager. Hon (kong, January 1, 1891.

UONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION, PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....\$9,296,677.07

RESERVE FUND,...........\$6,806,596.31 PROPRIETORS, 99,296,677.07

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-J. S. Moses, Eaq. Deputy Chairman S. C. MICHAELEEN, Esq. H. L. DALBTHELB, | Hon. J. J. KESWICK. ALEX. MCCONACHIE. T. E. DAVIES, Esq. C. J. HOLLIDAY, Esq. | L. POESSECKER, Esq.

H. Hoppius, Esq. D. R. Sassoon, Esq. ACTING CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong,.......F. de Bovis, Esq. MANAGER. Shanghai,.....John Walter, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS. -- London and County HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

N Current Deposit Account at the rate

balance. On Fixed Deposits:-For 8 months, 3 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent.

5 per cent, n LOCAL BILLS DISCOUPTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

- Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia. America, China and Japan. F. DE BOVIS.

Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, March 11, 1891.

THE NEW OBJENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000. PARD-UP CAPITAL£580,000. LONDON:

Head Office40, Threadneedle Street. West End Office. 25. Cockspur Street. BRINCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN

AND THE COLONIES. THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange,

Imnes Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to e had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED OR DEPOSITS: Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

On Correct Deposit Accounts 2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance. E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1890.

Intimations.

"CAMPHYLENE"

NEW DISINFECTANT, GERMIOIDE INSECTICIDE, AND ANTIMICROBE.

Powerful and effective Non-poisonous and Non-corrosive Disinfectant for use in Sick Rooms, for fumigating Clothing, Bed Linen, &c., and for general use as an agreeable indoor Disinfectant for Closets,

It has a pleasant smell, and is similar to Camphor as regards its property of evapora- TABLE LAMPS, SAFETY BURNERS. tion. The warmer, the weather or climate INGAFORE, STRAITS, &c. :- SAVLE & the more effective is its action.

Lavatories, Sinks, &c.

Provents Moth in Clothes, Furs, Carpete, HINA :- Macao, A. A. Da Chuz. Amoy, &c. Drives away Flies, Mosquitoes, and other Insects.

> Camphylene to suit its Various Uses is Manufactured in several forms, viz.:-Balls, Solid Blocks, and Powder,

The Balls and Solid Blocks are Sold in Tine at 50 Cents, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2 each. The Powder in Tins at 50 Conts, 31 and \$1.50 each. The largest sizes are the

WATSON & Co., LIMITED.



CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

Sole Agents for

HONGKONG, CHINA, AND MANILA

BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS. A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY, SHANGHAI 24, Nankin Road.

> BOTICA INGLEZA, MANILA, 14. Escolta.

THE CANTON DISPENSABLY, Canal Road. CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOOCHOW. THE DISPENSARY, HANKOW.

THE DISPENSARY, TIENTSIN.

LONDON OFFICE. 10, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, 28th April, 1891.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. COMPETITION for the 'FAKI' CUP A will be held on SATURDAY NEXT,

the 2nd Proximo, commencing at 3.15 p.m. Ranges-200 and 300 Yards. 7 Shotsetanding at 200 Yards, and 7 Shots-kneeling or sitting at 800 Yards, Entrance Fee, 90 Cents. A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 2.45 p.m. to convey Competitors. FRANK COLLINS,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 28, 1891.

NOTICE. THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COM-PANY, LIMITED.

ISSUE of 60,000 PREFERENCE SHARES OF \$1 EACH, FULLY PAID.

A PPLICATIONS will be Received at the A Company's OFFICE, No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, for 60,000 \$1 of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily | Shares bearing a right to a cumulative Pre-

ferential Dividend of 12 per cent. In the event of the Company being wound up the Holders of the said Preference Shares shall be entitled to have the surplus Assets of the Company applied in the first place to repaying to them of the amount paid-up on such Preference Shares, the residue of such surplus Assets shall belong to and be divided among the Ordinary

Shareholders of the Company. Application Forms are to be obtained from and to be sent in to the Company's Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION in Hongkong, on or before TUESDAY, the 5th May, 1891, accompanied by Payment of \$1 per Share for each Share applied for.

By Order of the Board. A. O'D. GOURDIN,

Secretary. Hongkong, April 23, 1891. HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB,

HONGKONG DERBY, 1892, THE WEIGHTS for the above RACE will be weight for inches, not 10st. 10lb. as heretofore.

E. H. GORE-BOOTH Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, March 17, 1891. 548 UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

CANTON, LIMITED. NOTICE-TO-SHAREHOLDERS.

A N Interim BONUS of EIGHTEEN PER A CENT. upon Contributions for the year 1890 has been declared. WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the Society on and after the 6TH MAY.

Secretary. Hongkong, April 24, 1891.

By Order of the Board,

Business Notices.

FOR SALE

"ROCHESTER," HIGH CANDLEPOWER. TTANDSOME TABLE LAMPS. WALL AND REFLECTOR LAMPS. HANGING LAMPS, 120-C.P.

"THE LAMP BELGE." ALL METAL TABLE LAMPS, 45-C.P., \$6.50 EACH. DECORATED PORCELAIN TABLE LAMPS. BRACKET AND HANGING LAMPS.

HINK'S "DUPLEX" LAMPS WIND-PROOF PUNKAH LAMPS, \$8.00 BACH. WIND-PROOF BRACKET LAMPS

DIETZ TUBULAR WINDPR' OF LANTERNS, WALL LAMPS & STREET LAMPS." SHIP'S SALOON, CABIN AND BERTH LAMPS. LAMP GLOBES, SHADES, CHIMNIES, WICKS, BURNERS, &c., &c. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

W. POWELL & Co. Aspinall's Enamel, IN ALL SHADES.

ASPINALL'S ENAMEL BRUSHES,

IN ALL SIZES. W. POWELL & Co.

VIOTORIA EXCHANGE, April 29, 1891.

Hotel. Victoria Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c, has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Horats in the place. The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL. The BOTEL also contains band once and condottable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and Smorthe Rooms.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1886.

ROBERT

TAILORS, GENERAL OUTFITTERS, &c. (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

QUE STOCK of SEASONABLE GOODS is now complete in all the NEWEST MATERIALS, comprising: -A Large Variety of DRESS SUITING from \$30, upwards. TWEEDS for SUICS, ULSTERS and INVERNESS CAPES, CORDS and ELASTICS for RIDING and SHOOTING, BRUCHES and LEGGINGS. EVENING DRESS SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, GLOVES, SILK, LISLE THREAD and CASHMERE SOCKS; PATENT LEATHER PUMPS and SHOES.

intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 196. INFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place

from the Battery at Beicher's Point, on the 29TH and 30TH INSTANTS, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Line of Fire will be in a North-Westerly direction from the Battery. All Suips, Junks and other VESSELS are

CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Ranges. By Command, W. M. DEANE.

Acting Colonial Secretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE. Hongkong, 25th April, 1891.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, L'MITED.

TOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the Special Resolution PASSED by an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company on the 3rd day of January, 1891, and Confirmed on the 19th January, 1891. Any Share in respect of which all the Instalments shall not have been paid on or before the 16th day of January shall be forfeited, and any Shares so forfeited shall deemed the absolute Property of the Company and may be reallotted or otherwise disposed of, as the General Managers shall determine, and any Members whose Shares shall have been forfeited shall, notwithstanding such forfeiture, be liable to pay to the Company all Instalments due in respect of such Shares at the time of for-

feiture,---By virtue of this Resolution 7,014 SHARES on which Calls are Due were

FORFEITE) as per followi	g List: -
Numbers:		
51/100;	126/175;	226/275
301/3 25;	3967485;	511/530
556/780.;	806/830;	836/-85
911/960;	1086/1 35;	1161/1220
1246/1295;	1321/1345;	1371/1:30
1436/1440;	14 1/1530;	1535/1554
1595/1622;	1676/1690;	1700/1702
-1715/1744 ;	1755/1764;	1769/1874
1880/1944;	1970/2024;	2037/2046
2057/2211;	2262/2311;	2362/2431
2482/2511;	25:2/2611;	2622/2651
2657/2676;	2697/2752;	2758/2767
2780/2820;	2835/2839;	2850/2854
2905/29±9;	3130/3229;	3330/3379
3405/3484;	3535/3684;	3640/3704
3730/3×04;	3880/4179;	4230/4254
4365/4384;	4500/4561;	4599/4658
4669/4718;	4794/4803;	4816/5295
0321/0361;	5864/5378;	— 5 384/5408.
5581,6166;	6202/70)1 ;	7048/7050
7076/7190;	7196/7205;	7205/7345
7426/7550;	7641/7670;	7701/7730
7831/7955 ;	7980/8004;	8145/8216
8222/8281;	8±92/8321; 9386/9880;	8332/9296
0361/9373;		9911/1 000
ARN	HOLD, KARBI	erg & Co., 🗀

General Managers.

Hongkong, April 27, 1891.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTIOE will take place from the Batteries at Lyemun in a South-Easterly direction, and Stone-cutters' Island in Westerly and South-Easterly directions, on the 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th Instants. All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Rauges.

By Command, W. M. DEANE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1891. SOCIÉTÉ FERMIÈRE DE L'OPIUM AU TONKIN,

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME AU CAPITAL DE...... 1 440,000 FRS. AVIS AUX ACTIONNAIRES.

AM. LES ACTIONNAIRES BONT informés VI que, conformément aux résolutions de l'assemblée générale ordinaire en date du 31 Mars 1891, les coupons de l'exercice 1890 seront payés :

Aux guichets de la Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation h Hongkong, du 27 -Avril au 7 Mai inclus ----An siège social à Hanoi à dater du 9

every flower that breathes a fragrance

SWEET SCENTS LOXOTIS OPOPONAX FRANGIPANNI_PSIDJUM / May be obtained Of any Chemist or Persumer.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS. BONUS of FIFTEEN PER CENT. upon Contributions for the year 1890 has This Day been declared. WARRANTS may be had on application at the above OFFICE on and after the 7TH PROXIMO. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, April 25, 1891.

SAILOR'S HOME.

A NY Cast-off Chorness, Books, or A PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sallor's Home, West Point. 856 | Hunglong, July 25, 1887.

TO BE LET SHORTLY. N exceedingly Comfortable and Cool SIX-ROOMED HOUSE. Apply to the SECRETARY, Humphrey's Estate and Finance

To Let.

1845.

Hougkong, April 4, 1891. TO BE LET OR SOLD, On Javourable terms, with Immediate

Possession. LIGHT HOUSES at 'MOUNTAIN VIEW Peak District, near Plunkett's Gap. If sold, part of the Purchase money car remain on Mortgage.

> Apply to JOHN A. JUPP. Secretary, The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Ld. Houghong, October 4, 1890.

TO LET. NTOS. 9 & 11, SEYMOUR TERRACE. No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET. ROOMS in College Chambers. OFFICES and CHAMBERS in Con-NAUGHT HOUSE, Queen's Road Central. OFFICES in VICTORIA BUILDINGS. No. 2, PEDDER'S HILL,

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, April 10, 1891. CHEFOO.

TO LET.-FURNISHED TILL 15TH JULY. TAR. CAMPBELL'S BUNGALOW, on IVI the EAST BEACH.

For Particulars, apply to

R. M. CAMPBELL, Shanahai. 11th April, 1891. TO LET.

With Immediate Possession. OFFICES-(above Messrs. Douglas Lapraik & Co.'s Premises). Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST MENT & AGENCY Co., LTD. Hongkong, December 16, 1820. TO LET AT THE PEAK.

(PARTLY FURNISHED). "TOROCKHURST" a detached Resi-D dence situate upon Mount Cough, about seven minutes walk from Plantation Road Station and from which is obtained a magnificent view of the Harbour and out to Sea. The HOUSE contains DRAWING-ROOMS, DINING-ROOMS, four BED-ROOMS, DRYING and BATH-ROOMS, &c., and has a Tennis Ground attached, which will be put in order at the Landlord's expense if the house be taken for a year.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. For further particulars apply to PALMER & TURNER, Architects, &c. No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

TO LET.

Hougkong, April 11, 1891.

Apply to the MANAGER at the Depôt, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. fleugkong, April 7, 1891. THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILD

ING COMPANY, LIMITED. TO LET. KNUTSFORD TERRACE.

KOWLOON, TTOUSES, with 5 ROOMS, including BATH | OOMS, TENNIS COURTS. GOOD view and healthy situation. Rent and Taxas, \$32 a month.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd. Hongkong, March 24, 1891. TO LET.

Possession from 15th May. FOUR ROOMS on the FIRST FLOOR of Queen's Road Central No. 10, suitable for OFFICES, at present in the occupation

of the Mirsu Bussan Kaisha. Apply to SANDER & Co. Hongkong, April 27, 1891.

FOR SALE.

Duddell Street.

CHEAP! TO CLEAR. QUARTITY OF LADY'S WATER PROOFS of different qualties, from \$2.50 each upwards. G. R. LAMMERT,

Hongkong, March 13, 1891. Notices of Firms.

from the Colony.

14th April, 1891.

MITSU BISHI COLLIERIES. TAR. JOHN GRANT will TAKE CHARGE VI of this AGENCY, during my Absence

H. U. JEFFRIES. Hongkong, April 23, 1891. NOTICE.

IVIHE PARTNERSHIP between HOLMES

& RODYK, Solicitons, is DISSOL-VED To day by Mutual Consent. BENRY J. HOLMES. ARTHUR B. RODYK Houghong, April 14, 1891

THE Undersigned will carry on BUSI NESS at his OFFICE, No. 54 Queen's Road. HUNRY J. HOLMES, Colicitor.

NOTICE

Notices to Consignees.

STEAMSHIP SYDNEY. . . COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. Company, Limited.

> YONSIGNEES of Cargo from London U and Havre ox Steamship Tigre, and from Bordenux ex. Steamship Pt. Leroy Lallier, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables-are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's

> Godowns, whence delivery may be obtaine immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignous before 2 p.m. To-DAY (Wednesday), the 22nd Inst., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
>
> Goods remaining unclaimed after Thurs

DAY, the 30th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per diem. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before THURSDAY, the 30th Instant, or they will not be recognised. Damaged Packages will be examined on Thursday, the 30th Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Agent.

Hongkong, April 22, 1891. MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. PATHAN, FROM GLASGOW.

LIVERPOOL, MIDDLESBRO AND STRAITS. 754 CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in-U formed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Gobown Cov., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves dolivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA. Noon To-Morrow. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st Prox. will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be

the 1st Proximo, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 24, 1891.

presented to the Undersigned on or before

SINGAPORE. THE S.S. Frigga, Captain F. NAGEL, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter—the above Port on SATURDAY, the 2nd signature by the Undersigned, and to take May, 1891. immediate delivery of their Goods from alonguide.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-Mornow, the 25th Instant, at 4 p.m. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will THREE OFFICES on the First Floor, be landed into the Godowns of the Hong. and GODOWN on the Ground Floor of the KONG, KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN Co., ICE COMPANY'S PREMISES in Ice House LTD., and stored at Consignees' risk and No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st May will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will to examined on the 1st May, at 3 p.m.

SIEMSSEN & Co... Hongkong, April 24, 1891. THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COM-

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND

SINGAPORE IHE Company's Steamship Ocanfa, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may

be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of 857 the Undersigned, before Noon on the 1st May, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st May, at 4 p, m. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 1st May will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before

p.m. To-day. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Hongkong, April 25, 1891.

UNION LINE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM ANTWERP, HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE,

THE Steamship Khio, Captain A Tyson, having strived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature. and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The Steamer is berthed at Kowloon Piors and Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be Consignees will be required to sign an Average Bond before taking delivery of their Ustroes.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, April 20, 1891.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before

the 30th Inst. or they will not be recognized.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instruc-tions to Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY,

the 2nd May, 1891, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE; &c.,

comprising :-CRETONNE-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM MARBLE-TOP CENTRE and SIDE TABLES, CHIMNEY GLASSES, PICTURES and ORNA-MENTS. CARPET and HEARTH RUGS. DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD with Bevilled GLASS BACH, WHATNOTS, CHEFFORIER; CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE. DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEADS with WIRE Spring Mattresses, Double and Single WARDROBE with PLATE GLASS DOORS, CAM-PHORWOOD CHEST of DRAWERS with WRICing Desk, Bureau with Glass, Toiler TABLE with GLASS and MARBLE-TOP WASH-GLASS BOOK CASE, WRITING TABLE and

Two COTTAGE PIANOS, by LUNAU LUBECK. Two COTTAGE PIANOS, by COLLARD & COLLARD. ONE HARMONIUM.

ONE CENTRE FIRE DOUBLE-BARRELLED FOWLING PIECE. ONE REVOLVER RIFLE. ONE BICYCLE. do., de. TERMS OF SALE, -As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG. Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 27, 1891.

Shipping.

Steamers SAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
Ancona,
Captain W. D. Modie, will leave for the above places on SATUR. DAY, the 2nd May, at Daylight.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

FOR SAIGON. The Steamship Capt. John M. Tulloch, will be despatched for

Hongkong, April 23, 1891.

OHAN SENG HONG. Hongkong, April 28, 1891. STEAM TO STRAITS & BOMBAY. (Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient

For Freight and Passage, apply to

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
Nizam,
Captain G. Landborne, will leave for the above places on MON-DAY, the 4th May, at Noon.

inducement offers.)

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, April 28, 1891.

ITALIANA (FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.) STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY, Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID. MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERI-CAN PORTS, up to CALLAO. Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF

and BAGDAD.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE

The Co.'s Steamship C. Givazzo, Master, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 5th May, at Noon. At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in Victoria Dock. For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co.,

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND

PORTS, SYDNEY & MELROURNE

Hongkong, April 20, 1891.

The Co.'s Steamship A. Hust, Commander, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 5th May. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Agents. Hongkong, April 23, 1891.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/3 L.1.1. Amer. Barque Et. James. BORNHAM, Mester, will lead -

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, April 21, 1891.

will have quick despatch.

For Freight, spoly to

Entertainments.

CITY HALL.

TRAND ASSAULT AT-ARMS. LORNE ATHLETIC CLUB. ARGYLL & SUTHEBLAND HIGHLANDERS, Under the distinguished Patronage and in the Pres nee of Fra G. W. DES VŒUX, K.O.M.G., MAJ. GENERAL G. DIGBY BAKER, O.B., TO-NIGHT 29th April.

Commencing at 9 p.m. (when smoking will be permitted). ADMISSION-St (No Reserved Seats). Soldiers and Sailors to all Performances, 25 Cents.

The BAND will be in attendance. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

To-day's Advertisements.

BAY VIEW HOUSE.

TAR. J. WM. OSBORNE begs to inform his FRIENDS, ACQUAINTANCIE and the Public of Hongkong that the BAY VIEW HOUSE formerly (The Wantfeild Station) will be PENED on SATURDAY, the 2nd

Arrangements have been made with Mr. KENKEDY to run the Buss s every 1-hour from the Clock Tower to the Bay View House daily.

FARES-10 CENTS EACH WAY. Hongkong, April 29, 1891

CONSULAT DE FRANCE. TROM the First of May next, the FRENCH CONSULATE (Office and Residence) will be REMOVED to 1, SEY-MOUR TERRACE. Office hours: from half past ten to half past twelve, and from half past two to half

past four. Hongkong, April 29, 1891. SELAMA-TIN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

плR. LAWS, the New Engineer, arrived IV from England in PERSE on the 6th Inst., and has inspected the Company's WORK at TERRA (KINTA) and BLANDA

His preliminary Report can now be seen by Shareholders at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 6. Connaught House. By Order of the Board,

W. HUTTON POTTS. Secretary. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

LAWN TENNIS, DOUBLE HANDICAP. THE above will be Played on the CRICKET GROUND during MAY. ENTRIES

CLOSE on 4th Proximo. CONDITIONS. Chose your own Partners. Best of Five Sets.

Handicap will be appointed by the Com-Entrance Fee. \$1.00. MEMBERS wishing to enter will find Lists

in the Hongkone Club and CRICKET PAVI

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS, Hon. Sec., H.K.C.C. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND

TAIWANFOO. The Co.'s Steamship Captain HUNTER, will be despatched for the above

Ports on FRIDAY, the 1st May, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT.) (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE) The Co.'s Steamship

Capt. WADDILOVE, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. The Co.'s Steamship Diamante. Captain G. TAYLER, will above Port on SATURDAY, the 2nd May, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & 'Co., General Managers. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAKAO. The Co.'s Steamship Captain HARRIS, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, 3rd May, at Daylight. instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FOR HAIPHONG (DIRECT.) The Co.'s Steamship Captain ABBAL, will leave for the above Port or SUNDAY, the 3rd May, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

Business Notices.

HOMOVOMO TRADING CO LIMP-TIUNGIVUIVG

HOUSEHOLD DRAPERY.

BLANKETS AND QUILTS TABLE CLOTHS AND NAPKINS. TEA CLOTHS GLASS CLOTHS

TOWELS, DUSTERS, COTTON AND LINEN DIAPERS. ALL READY FOR IMMEDIATE USE.

Hongkong Trading Company, Ltd.,

The British steamer Benledi reports

Had light to moderate Easterly and South

Easterly breezes, and one clear weather up

to noon, 28th April; then moderate E.N.E.

The Norwagian steamer Amicetia reports:

The British steiner Samoa reports

Left Poschow on the 20th and experienced

ther; latter part, fresh N.E. breeze and

overeast to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 27th,

and Swatow on the 28th; from Amoy to

Swatow, fresh N.E. breeze and fine weather:

and from Swatow to port, moderate N.E.

breeze and fine weather. Str. in Amoy,

Namyong. Steamers in Swatow, Kweiyang,

The German strainer Lycemoon reports :

Had Northerly winds and very misty wea-

ther on the Yangtza river; from Haishan

Islands to this port, fresh N.E. winds and

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Per Cosmopolit, at 9.30 a.m., on Thurs-

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA.

Per Don Juan, at 3.30 p.m., on Thurs-

Per Donar, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday,

Per Clara, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.

Per Thales, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the

Per Haiphong, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday,

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA

Per Niz m, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,

For SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA.

Per sarthia at 11 30 a.m., on Tuesday,

Per Bormida, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday,

The British Contract Packet Clude will

be despatched on THURSDAY, the

30th inst. with Mails for the United

Kingdom, Europe, and countries be-

yond, vid Brindisi; to the Straits

Settlements, Notherlands India; Bur-

mah, Coylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and

The usual hours will be observed in closing

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-

The Bitish Contract Packet Parthia

11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Corres-

The French Contract Packet Diemnah

. will be despatched on WEDNESDAY.

the 6th May, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, Europe, and places be-

yond, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Straits

Sottlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,

Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius,

Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

closing the Mails, &c.

The usual hours will be observed in

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET -

The United States Mail Packet Oceanic will

0.30 P.M. Post Office closes, but Corres-

will be closed as follows :--

0.15 P.M. liegistry ceases.

be despatched on THURSDAY, the

7th May, with Mails for Japan,

San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Hunolulu, Peru, &c., which

pondence may be posted un board the

Packet, with Late Fee of 10 cents extra

HOURS OF CLOSING THE

ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in

closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the

English and French Packels, when they

leave at Noon. The Money Order Office

8.00 A.M.-Posting of Prices Current and

(Prices Current and Circulars may

will be closed at 5 the day before.

Circulars ceases.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

will be despatched on TUESDAY, the

5th May with Mails for Shanghai,

Japan, Canada, the United States of

America, and countries beyond, vid

pondence may be posted on board the

Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents

extra Postage, until time of departure.

WAY Co.'s CONTRACT PACKET, --

& VANCOUVER, B.C.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET. -

For CHEFOO & NEWOHWANG.-

MAILS will close:-

day, the 30th inst.

(OREGON). ~~

the 30th inst.

the 30th inst.

For AMOY & MANILA.

the 30th inst.

the 30th inst.

For HAIPHONG.

30th inst.

1st May.

1st May.

the 1st May.

the 4th May.

the 5th May.

Gibraltar.

the Mails, &c.

Vancouver:

11.15 A.M. Regis ry closes,

For STRAITS & BOMBAY .--

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.

For TAKAO. -

For SAIGON .-

day, the 30th inst.

For SWATOW & SINGAPORE.—

Yiksang and Chingtung.

4. QUEEN'S ROAD. SHIPPING REPORTS. To-day's Advertisements.

SOCIETÉ FRANÇAISE DES

breezs, overcast and passing showers. CHARBONNAGES DU TONKIN. Had fine weather. ITHE General Annual MEETING will 1 take place at Honokone TO-MORlight South-Easterly wind and foggy wen-

ROW (THURSDAY), the 30th April, 1891, at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company in Victoria Buildings, at Noon.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-Report presented by the Board of Direc-Report of the Auditor. Approval of Accounts.

Election of Directors. Election of Auditor. In accordance with the Company's Arti cles of Association, Owners of at least Twenty Shares, in order to have the right to attend the above Meeting, will have to deposit them at the Company's (flice no later than Fifteen Days before the Meeting, and will receive in exchange a Card of

Admission. By Order of the Board of Directors, R. B. JOYCE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 29, 1891.

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Makes a more palatable drink with Spirits than Sod \

> NO LOWERING TENDENCY. IN LARGEST SIZE BOTTLES.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS. April 29, 1891 ;--Clara, German steamer, 675, H. Iplund Haiphong April 25, General. -A. R. MARRY. Beuledi, British steamer, 1,481, J. II.

Clark, Saigon April 25, General. - Gibb, LIVINGSTON & Co. Amicetia, Norwegian steamer, 527, J. Isgens, Odessa March 11, General. - ORDER. Namoa, British steamer, 863, Goddard, Foochow April 26, Amoy 27, and Swatow 28. General.—Douglas Steamship Co.

Glenfruin, British steamer, from Wham-Marie Berg, German barque, 536, H. Hindrichs, Singapore March 26, Timber. -WIBLER & Co.

Delta, French steamer, 717 Abbal, Haiphong April 26, General.—Messageries

Lycemoon, German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuermann, Wuhu April 25, Rice. - Siems sen & Co.

DEPARTURES.

April 29 :--Tai Lee, for Amoy. Ghazee, for Saigon. Vorwaerts, for Saigon. Phra Chula Chom Klao, for Saigon, Shanghai, for Shanghai. Fushun, for Shanghai. Protes, for Saigon. Pekiny, for Shanghai.

Oceana, for Singapore and Hamburg. Formosa, for Swatow. Gwallor, for Singapore and Bombay. Achilles, for Singapore and London.

CLEARED. osmopolit, for Chefoo.

PASSENGERS.

AREIVED. Per Clara, from Haiphong, Madame Per Benledi, from Saigon, 49 Chinese.

Per Namoa, from Coast Ports, 162 Chi-Per Delta, from Haiphong, 4 Europeans, Per Lycemoon, from Wuhu, 8 Chipese.

DEPARTED. Per Futher, for Shanghai, 160 Chinese. Per Peking, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans, nd 50 Chinese. Per Oceana, for Singapore, 120 Chinese. Per Gualier, for Singapore, 551 Chinese. Per Formesa, for Swatow, Mr and Mrs

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Noon,-Meeting of Societé Françaiso des on the 1st. prox. Charbonnages du Tonkin at Registered Office in Victoria Buildings. Miscellaneous.

Artillery Practice at Stone-cutter's Island Goods per Steamer Sydney unclaimed after Noon subject to cent.

10 a.m. -Artillery Practice at Belcher

Claims against the Khio must be sent in to Messra Russell & Co., on or before this date.



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kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English Makers. The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are

used in the manufacture throughout. LARGE BOMBAY 'SODAS We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, free of Extra Charge, to those of our Customers who prefer to have to day.

them to the ordinary size. COAST PORT ORDERS. whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order. FOR COAST PORTS, Waters are packed VICTORIA, B.C., PORTLAND and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for

Per Zambesi, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, Packages and Empties when received in good order. Counterfoil Order Books supplied or Per Tongshan, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, Eapplication.

> Our Registered Telegraphic Address-is. 'DISPENSARY, HONGKONG And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock :--Per Naushan, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, PURE AERATED WATER SODA WATER ~LEMONADE

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GINGERADE. No Credit given for bottles that are dirty, or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of con-Per Ancona, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the taining Accated Waters, as such bottles are never used again by us,

A. S. WATSON & Co., LTD. 2291 Hongkong China, and Manila. The publication of this issue commenced

i. 8.10 p. mi. Carles athing & Samuel Om Juin Zhan.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1891.

TELEGRAMS. SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL. (Via Southern Line.)

CHILIAN INSURRECTION. London, 27th April, 1891. A torpedo demolished the Chilian in-

surgent Ironelad Blanco Encalato; 200 perished. OBITUARY.

Count Moltke. LOCAL AND GENERAL

PASSED SUEZ CANAL. OUTWARD BOUND :- Ynngping, March 3: Chingping, 10; Cambodia, Zanzibar, 13; Barden Tower, 20 : Thisbe, 24 : Maori Bellerophon, Denbyhshire, Polyhymnia, Tartar, April 7 : Monmouthshire. Palumed, Polyphemus, Bawtry, Glen-Benvenue, Resperia, Laertes, Patro-

clus, 21. HONEWARD BOUND: - Galley of Lorne, Mar. 13: Strathed: 31; Niobe, Bengal, April 7: Gleneagles, Antonio, Bentomond, 10; Canton, Aslow, 14; Jason, Rosetta: Keemun. 21.

the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, The Canadian Pacific a. s. Batavia, from Vancouver, left Yokohama for Hongkong via ports on April 18. The Canadian Pacific s.a. Empress of Japan was at Port Said on April 24, and may be expected here on or about May 23.

The Glen Line steamship Glenorchy, from London, left Singapore on April 25th, ly nominal cost. and may be expected here on or about May 2nd

Tha B. B. Glamorganshire, from New York. left Singapore on April 27, and may be expected here on or about May 3. The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s s. s. Catterthun left Port Darwin on April 25, and may be expected here on or about May 4. 5. B. Wingsang, from Calentia. Singapore on April 27, and may be ex-

pected here on or about May 4. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Bellerophon left Singapore on April 29th, and may be expected here on or about May 5th. THE O. S. S. Co.'s str. Be'lerophon left Sin-

THE s. a. Empress of India arrived at Vanp.m. on the 17th instant.

gapore this morning for this port.

M. DE LANESSAN has been appointed Governor General of Indo Chins.

THE Canadian Pacific s.s. Batavia left Shanghai at 2 p in. to day, and is due here

A HAWKER who was found by Detective Sorgt. Hadden yesterday selling indecent pictures to European schoolboys near St. Paul's College, was brought before Mr. Wise in the Police Court to-day, and sentenced to a month's hard labour.

Our report of the annual business meeting of Union Church Congregation-at which there was an interesting discussion on the question of the Government grant to St. John's Cathedral-is held over till to-mor row, owing to want of space.

THREE dogs, bolonging to a Japanese restaurant keeper named Okamuro, set upon a little Chinese girl in Puel Street yesterday and bit her in three places. The owner was fined \$5 by Mr Wise to-day and the dogs were ordered to be destroyed.

YESTERDAY, H.E. the Tartar General, the relitted with automatic Steam Ma- Military Commander of the Two Kwang sometimes precedence of the Viceroy ing in Council on that account alone. It of the provinces, called at Government House about 2 o'clock. Two hours after- considerable part of the afternoon; and he wards H. E. the Governor returned his visit. It is more than twenty years since a similar been severely taxed a few days before, visit was paid. The Tartar General and family left for Shanghai by the Fushun

> issued :- Peak Delivery .- Letters &c. will only. Correspondence and Parcels for the of Council would involve. I think Peak may be posted in the General Post the Letter Boxes in the Cars till time of that only two nights before near Peak Church and at "Mount Kellet," seizures to which I have been recently subject, and I was unable to leave my sofa and which will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m. receive my guests. Now, when you know Local Rates will be charged. No Sunday that I think you might have supposed that delivery. Senders are requested to cancel their Stamps by writing the word Stamped | such meeting as that, and that that was my across them. Covers containing Bank reason for not attending the Council."

Notes, &c. should be registered. THE Legislative Council will meet to-morrow at 11 a.m. The following are the Orders of the day :-

1. Questions of which notice has been given by Hon. P. Ryrie and Hon. T. H. Whitehead. 2. First reading of a Bill entitled 'An | tion :-Ordinance to restrict the Loading and Un

loading of Cargoon Sunday in certain waters of the Colony. 3. Committee on the Bill entitled 'The

Gambling Ordinance, 1891. THE flags of the German Consulate and the account of the death of Connt von Moltke. Secretary of State by telegraph of this inferred to in which the future was touched tention, and of their wish that he should upon at all was the following:— As far as age of 91. The pressure on our space to of his career, but it is so well known that it scarcely needs detailing.

THE Foothow Echo of 18th inst. writes :-' Heavy rain is reported from up country and the picking of the new leaf has been much interrupted. The new leaf is said to be nice and succulent, and to show every prospect of a fine first crop.' The same paper writes on 25th inst. : - After all, the amount of Treasure sent up country for the new leaf to date has already reached the handsome sum of \$1,600,000. We can safely say that there is only half of the usual number of buyers in the hills season, therefore prices must undoubtedly be lower than those of last.

THE SCARCITY OF WATER A

SUGGESTION. In view of the great scarcity of water, King, Thames, Buting, Altonower, 31; amounting almost to a famine, we think auggestion made to us by Captain Croad well worthy of consideration by the authorigenerally return with their tanks full of fresh water, the water being required ballast. When cargo is taken in at Hong-Mascotte, 17; Natal, Pembrokeshire, tied. The Fushum discharged into the harbour yesterday about 250 tons of good will unload other 250 tons in the same manuer if nobody comes to take it away: If the authorities cared they might obtain from the vessels that arrive from Whampos a large supply of good water at a mere-

The above paragraph appeared in out

Shipping Extra to-day, and a correspond-

water in question has certain objectionable sauction, and would have ground of very the public view of the prospects of these characteristics which minimise its useful- serious complaint if those who have Companies, I must now point out that the ness. He points out that it is river water, made to them what was practically a oggregate capital of the Companies referred that it contains a large percentage of mud conditional promise should, by now to which have failed or the shares of which and other deleterious matter and that on deprecating the sanction of the Secretary are at a heavy discount, is extremely insigthe whole it is not desirable for domestic of State, endeavour to preclude the condi- nificant as compared with the total paid up purposes. Admitting all this, we question tion which is along required to render that onpital of local Joint Stock Companies very much whether it is quite so objection- promise birding. As the Retinates which which are at a premium and for the most abe as the liquid with which the colony contain these increased salities are only part at a very high premition. had to put up with for a considerable voted for one year, the Council will, of length of time not long ugo and which course, be at full liberty to reconsider the was known as 'Pokiciam Water.' At position with reference to the Estimates of the period we refer to householders 1892 and public officers will understand gained some experience in methods that though these salaries may be fixed at a of purifying the mixture which was supplied | given amount for this year. it does not fulto them as gour pure, and we have low that they will remain at that figure for couver yesterday: she left Yokohama at 4 little doubt that they would find it a com- next or any subsequent year, should the paratively easy task to render this ballset circumstances of the Colony require a re- the aggregate about \$21,001,030. The water, which is now being wasted, fit for duction. But for this year I regard their shares of the two local Bire Insurance domestic use. At all events, in a period remuneration, in so far as action on the Companies with an aggregate paid up

THE GOVERNOR AND THE UNOFFICIALS.

one, and secondly you may have seen it stated that I could not have had much the matter with me as I took my usual drive. Now as the matter has become public proparty there is no use in disavowing the fact that the Czarewitch did do me the honour to make a private call on me on that day, and when he warned me of his intention provinces, who has equal rank with and have been perfectly justified in not appeardoes happen, I say, that the Czarewitch did call and spend at Government House a called partly with the very kind intention of enquiring after my health which had under circumstances known to some of his THE following. Post Office notice has been | the morning and before H. I. H. the Czarewitch's intimation reached me I had informed Mr Deane that I was unable to go be delivered by the 12 and 3 o'clock Trams through such a severe ordeal as a meeting gentlemen, you are aware, or at any rate some of you, which makes your Office up to 11.30 a.m. or 2.30 p.m., or in signing this letter the more remarkable, meeting, when I had a dinner party Departure. Will regard to letters from for the Russian Admiral, the Britis the Peak additional Letter Boxes have been Admiral, the General, and a number of effixed to Police Boxes at "Magazine Gap," others, I was taken with one of those.

> THE POSITION AND PRO-SPECTS OF THE COLONY THE GOVERNOR'S REPLY TO ME

my condition for two or three days would

not be such as to enable me to attend any

WHITEGEAD. The following is a speech which His Excellency intended to make in Council, and with reference to the immediate future

German Club were at half-mast to-day on Council, and requesting me to notify the and the only passage other than those renight provents us from giving any notice larges until their memorial shall be received. panies especially those whose field of oper-

my full consideration.

coed to state them in full.

THE BALARIES CONTRACT. ent, who speaks with some authority on the some of the officers concerned have made way as fornishing some instification, not of subject, now writes pointing out that the arrangements in auticipation of this my own, but what I intended to convey as

that if the extremly ingubrious ploture which the Honourable Member has painted The shorthand writer's report of the irre- of the condition and prospects of the gular meeting between the unofficial mem. Colony were a correct one, there would bers and the Governor has been published be at least ground for arguing the existence by the Daily Press, with the sanction, we of the condition which would justify-I suppose, of the Governor himself. A copy will not say repudiation-but breach of a of the report was not sent to this paper, legal contract, viz. : inability to pay other and had it been, we should not have repro- equally binding obligations in fully. Lam duced it, as the unofficial report we gave, sure that the Honourable Member had no contains almost every point of His Excel- intention of this kind and I gather that lency's harangue, the full version of which his object was simply to show our inability only intensifies our belief that physical suf- to pay these increased salaries in permanforing has upset his nerves. The personal ence in the absence of additional taxation. part of the speech is really painful, and—to But whatever may have been the Honouruse a phrase of his own-we are sure that able Member's intention, the effect likely to 'in his calmer moments he must aincerely be created by his speech it unanswered, is rogret the action he took and the hypo- far beyond this; and as I regard bijury to chondriacal sensitiveness he displayed the credit of the Colony as likely to inflict There is one part of his speech greater loss upon the Colonists than that that has a little more than a mere involved in these increased salaries, even personal interest, and as it was burely when coupled with the increased Military touched in our summary, we repro- Contribution, I have deemed it my duty to duce it. Speaking of his absence from last examine this subject calmly and deliberate-Council meeting and the reference made to jly in all its various bearings with a view to that absence in the letter of the quofficial determine whether the picture of our posimembers, the Governor says :- 'I presume tion as drawn by the Honograble Member members may have been influenced by two is a correct one, and I must now make a things. Firstly, you have seen in the pa- short further trespass upon your time in the pers that H. I. H. the Czarewitch paid me endeavour to present to you the result of a private visit that afternoon. That is the | that examination.

THE BRILLIANT DESPATOR AND THE

In approaching the subject of the Honourable Member's speech, I am bound to year testimony to its ability, and to admit that the painstaking research of which it bears evidence, has brought forward facts venture to think that in the absonce of well worthy of reflective consideration ; b t very strong reasons to the contrary I should on the other hand as the result of my examination of the question I find it impossible to regard it otherwise than as the address of an advocate which, to may the least, makes the most of the facts adduced in favour of his view; and entirely ignores all those which tell in favour of the other side. In order to heighten the effect of the gloomy picture which (whatever his motive) it has pleased him to draw, he has officers. Probably under any circumstances instituted a contrast between the present therefore I should not have been able to at- (as he would seem to allege) abject, position tend. But it happens that his calling was of the Colony, with that protrayed by my not my reason for not attending. Early in so-called 'brilliant' despatch of October 1889, and he unmistakeably conveys the inference, though he does not actually say so. that the description there given was incorrect. In one passage if correctly reported he alleges himself to be almost quoting my very words when he says that I referred to a vast commerce in a healthy state of progress with prosperity extraordinary and prospects magnificent. Now any one hearing or reading these words prospects magnificent' (which by-the-bye I never used) as contrasted with his subsequent representation of the depressed condition of the Colney, would inter that I had dealt largely in prophecy as regards the immediate future, and that such prophecy had been falsified by the event, whereas this is not true but in one important respect the exact opposite of the truth. I indeed referred to a trade as apparently in a healthy condition of progress, despite the restrictive measures against Chinese in the United States and Australia, and the decline of the Tea Trade the full effects of which I mentioned as having not then been fully felt-and this reference I shall presently give reasons for believing correct -while I expressed no doubt that land would in the course of time become more valuable then, and this I have still stronger reason to believe now. But. which he has forwarded to us for publica- most distinctly expressed doubts whether speculation had not unduly raised the prices both of shares and of land, and Before proceeding to the Orders of the plainly intimated the possibility of Day I deem it right to refer to a letter reaction and consequent distress to all those which I received a few days ago from the who had been speculating beyond their Un-official Members, informing me of their | means. So far from partaking largely in intention to memorialise the Secretary of prophecy whether about the immediate or State to the effect that the Colony is not distant future, my despatch dealt almost now in a position to pay the increased sa- exclusively with ficts, not one of which in laries of officials which recently passed the so far as I know has ever been impugued; withhold his sanction of these increased sa- is known all, or nearly all, of these Com-In roply I caused a letter to be addressed ations is Hongkong, have good, some of the Un-official Members to the effect that I them excellent, prospects of success. And hoped within a few days to be able to in- even here I am not expressing my own form them of the course which I should opinion, but (as is shewn from the words pursuo ofter giving this important matter | as far as is known') the opinion of the community, and that I was entitled to infer In reply to a further communication on from the prices of the shares and the fact the subject from the Honourable Mr Ryrie, that no note of warning had anywhere been I informed him of the substance of the sounded. It is true that I expressed no grounds on which I felt bound to decline reason to do so, and it would have been sending such a telegram, and I now pro- presumptuous for me with regard to purely mercantile matters to express As to the first reason, viz : that from a opinions opposed to those of a mercantile despatch already received from the Secres community. But even if the anticipation tary of State it may be expected that the had been my own. I am by no means decision on the subject of Salaries will be sure, despite the Honouzable Member's received very shorily, and that therefore statements, that I should have much cause any telegram of the kind would arrive too to regret it. For I find some 26 out of the late, it is unnecessary to say anything fur | 35 Companies referred to are not only ther; but as to the other-the second rea- carrying on business with a paid-up capital son-further information may seem to be of G millions, but appear to be on a sound footing. From the present value of the shares, the greater portion of the capital mentioned appears to have been well in-It is scarcely necessary for me to remind vested, while others of these Companies you that during the year 1889, there was though their shares at this time of depresappointed a Committee of the Council for monere at a discount campot be vet said the purpose of enquiring into the Salaries to be a failure as they have not yet had garry, 10; Sughatien, 14; Moray, 17; ties. The steamers that go up to Whampon of the public officers, and that that Com- time to fully test their capabilities of sucmittee, composed (with the exception of cess. It is no doubt true that 7 of the the Chairman) exclusively of Un-official Companies referred to, not many as Members, eventually recommended un stated by the Honourable Member, are in animously a large increase of the salaries of liquidation, but even as regards these as kong the tanks have of course to be emp. a great many officers; and votes generally well as some of the others which have not in accordance with that recommendation, yet been successful it might very possibly but on a different principle specially have been said, not without a certain coranthorised by the Secretary of State, were in rectness, on their being launched, that fresh water, and probably this afternoon she October last, during my absence from the their prospects were good, as their failure Colony, unanimously passed by this or comparative failure may have been due Council. In view of the apparent un- to faults of management or insufficiency of animity of the Council that these increases capital. And in confirmation of this view were only a matter of justice to the officers it may be observed that the enterprises of concerned, and in view of the fact that the some of these Companies in liquidation, at Secretary of State had not disapproved the for instance the Borneo Planting Comprinciple of a general increase, there would papies have, I am informed, only quite seem to be a great probability that His recently found persons sutside the Colony Lordship will a notion at least a part of the who sufficiently believe in their prospects recommended increase in the majority of to pay a considerable aum for their procases, and I think it not at all unlikely that | perties. Mentioning these things by the

> THE POSITION OF LOCAL BUTERPRISES. Taking up the list of local enterprises published in the Daily Journals I find that the shares of the Hongroom and Shanghal Bank with a paid-up capital of \$9,300,000. backed as it now is by a reserve fund of over a milion sternog are worth now in

it in this light; and yet I am bound to my Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Go.

however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country-Li Foo Hing ; for Tamsui, Mr L. Middle-THE changes in our Share List to-day are: of such scarcity as now prevails, when the part of the Council is concerned, as de- capital of \$800,000 are quoted in the one by country, with the addresses all great and prontically inexhaustible Tytem finitely fixed, and any attempt to lessen it case at 500 in the other at 300 per cent. Horgkong & Whampes Decks, 100 per Per Haitan, for Amoy, Mr H. A. Farrell Reservoir has turned out to be literally a new would seem to me something very like premium. The shares of the local hisrine 10.00 A.M. - Registry ceases. cent., sales; Kowloon Lands, \$17, sales; for Foochow, Mr and Mrs Woodley, Mr G. hollow mockery, every means of augment- the repudiation of a contract. And I of Insurance Companies with agerments expital 10.30 A.M. Posting of Newspapers, Blade, Mr and Mrs Farago, Mesers Tohong ing the rapidly decreasing daily dribble course use here the word contract not in | of \$1,850, 00 are quoted at nearly 300 per H. G. Browns, \$50; A. S. Watsons, \$211. Books, and Patterns ceases. King Ping, Yang Tes Cheung, Ling Tsing should be taken advantage of to the fullest its strict legal sense, but in the sense of cent. 100 per cent. and 100 per cent. 11.00 A.M. -Mail closes. Tong, Li Ta Tchion, Lou Sion Meng Mr possible extent. We hear that wells have moral obligation. It is I trust, needless for premium, responsively. Carrier my eve and Mrs Cave Thomas, Measts Wm. Gra-LATE LETTERS may be posted (from The about general meeting of seathelders been sunk with great success by private re- me to exp ess my utter disbelief that the down the list I find the floogkong and 11.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to sidents; but the officials, whose motto is Honouratio Member who originated, or Whampon Dock Cumpany shares (with a ham and C. K. Rogers. of St. John's Cathedral will be held in the 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may that they are not bound to supply rain, those who supported this movement would paid up capital of lemillion delians) are 98 TO DEPART. Vestry of the Cathedral, to morrow, the will doubtless leave all such enterprises to have had a y part in it if they had row ided por cent. premium, while those of the be sont on Board with the same Late Per Cosmop dit, for Chefco, 10 Chinese. 30th instant, a' 5,80 p.m.

Similarly the shares of seven other Companies (Chin : Sugar Company, Hongkong Lind Investment Company, Socie:6 des Charbunnages du Tonkin, Hongkong Hotel Company, Humphreys Estate and Finance Company .. A. S. Watson & C. Hopgkong Ice Company) principally owned in Hongkong on which was originally paid 86,223,000 re now worth \$12,940,000, which added to the fi tures representing the paid up capital and present market value of the Hongkong Bank and 6" Companies just mentioned give a total of \$22,010,500 paid in respect of shares which are now worth 856,177,500. This, however, gives only a partial view of the situation. A more comtleto view is furnished by the following

the Registrar of Public Companies. At the end of the year 1887 there were 26 public e mpanies whose stares were dealt in the Hougkong Market having an aggregate paid-up capital of \$27,233,0 0 and the market value of which was then \$46,870,125. In 1888 3 of these Companies went into liquidation and a fourth reduced its capital by \$175,000, and at the end of the same year the 23 remaining Companies represented a paid-up capital of \$25, 158,000 and a market value of \$48,355,325, or an increase in the market value of the 29 Companies for the year 1888 of \$2 021,200. In the same year the shares of 13 additional Companies were placed on the Hongkong Market representing a paid-up capital of \$3,709,640 and a market value at the end of 1888 of \$5,596,000 giving an increase for the year of 10 Com mics, 82,634,640 in paid-up capital and \$7,081,210 in market value. Thus at the end of 1888. there were 36 Companies with an aggregate paid-up capital of \$28,867,640, the market value of which was \$53,951,325. Two of these Companies (with a total paid-up capital of \$200,000) are now being wound up, but the aggregate values of the shares o the remaining of amount at present to \$64,421.0 1 050 shewing an increase (after deducting \$1,715,000 net increase to capital) of \$8,874,725 as compared with December, 1888. In addition to the above 34 Companies there are 20 new Companies registered since December, 1888, whose shares are dealt in in the Hongkoug Market. The total paid-up capital of these 20 Companies is \$13.692,310 and the aggregate market value of this capital is \$12,779,500. showing a depreciation in the value of these new Companies of \$912,810 as compared with the paid-up capital. A further. analysis shows that of these 20 Computies the aggregate market value of the shares of 5 of them is \$4,809,940 in excess of their total paid-up capital, while in 14 of the 20 there is a depreciation to the extent of \$5,722,750 below the paid-up capital. Of the 14 latter Companies 7 are new Companies engaged in purely local business, the shares of which are depreciated below paid-up capital to the extent of \$593,000 only, and the remaining 7 Companics whose shares show a depreciation of \$5,126,750 below paid-up capital are Companies whose businesses or enterprises are situated entirely outside the Colony. There are now therefore 54 Public Companies with a paid-up capital of \$44,074,950 and a market value of \$77,200,550 as against 26 Companies in 1887, with a paidup capital of \$26.233 000 and a market value of \$46,870,125, and 36 Companies in 1888 with a paid-up capital of \$28,867 610 and a market value of \$53,951,525, showing an increase in the last 31 years of 28 Companies, \$17,841,950 paid-up capital, less price than in 1888. House proand \$30,330,425 market value.' THE PIQURES OF FAILURE ARE PUNY.

Compared therefore either with what may be called the figures of special success. or with the figures of all Companies successful, or unsuccessful, the neures of failure, or threatening failure, are puny indeed, and it is to be borne in mind that the present is a time when owing to losses : in speculation all such securities are probably under their normal value. Now notwithstanding the fact that the shares of most of these Companies were in 1889 driven up by speculation to a price considerably higher than at present, I venture to think that from the point of view of the share market, there is nothing pointing to any serious or permanent decline of prosperity indeed after a careful survey of the position at this critical critical period I believe that any competent and impartial judge would say with confidence that the business of the Colony in so far as it is conducted by Joint Stock Companies is generally in a very sound

THE INCREASE OF TRADE. than a decreasing trade. For according to perity. the recent report of the Harbour Master, the tonnage of vessels entering, and clearing from, Hongkong reached in 1890, the enormous figure of 134 million tons—or considerably higher than those of any former year and exceeding by 1,000 000 tons those of 1889. It would thus appear that my anticipation of 1839 is shawing itself to be correct, and that trade in other directions is compensating for

the deficit caused by the decaying tea. export, and the stoppage of emigration to Australia and the United States. And while on the subject of Emigration, I may mention that the accounts recently received of the condition of the Chinese in Mexico are so favourable, that if they should be confirmed I think it only right that the Government should encourage the emigration thither which it is desired to conduct from Hongkong. If it is true, 25 there. I shall expect that in no long! but surpass all that has been lost by the since I began the examination of this the kindness of Sir Robert Hart and the local Commissioner). Though I have i not had time as yet to examine carefully all the figures, it suffices for my purour trade with China actually increased last year by more than Taela 3,000 000 as compared with 1888 and by over Taels 7.000,000

\$1,000,000 is paid up are more were closed, and 236 opened, statements if left without crificiam, would Residence (the prosecution of which I the new tax would full lightly or not at all lives to him.

statements and figures supplied to me by the aggregate decreass of deposits in the To take the case of the mother country, sources alone there would be sufficient to case. May I be permitted to furnish such is about \$1,000,000, the agures being instituted a comparison in the matter of a Loan of \$1,220,000 at 4 per cent. amount to justify the Honourable Membor's indefinite statement as to 'millions' of decrease.

General, in forwarding his estimate of Chinese Bankadeposits accompanies it with the statement that de pite all lesses, money is at present plentiful among the Chinese, and that the rate of inferest among them just now is 42 cents fer month per \$100this being scarcely over 5 per cent. per annum, and is even lower than the rate among Europeans.

THE VALUE OF LAND.

Now as regards Land which the Honour able Member says has fallen greatly in value. I do not doubt that as regards a considerable area of the less valuable land of the Colony, there has been considerable depreciation by comparison with the inflated prices of 1889, but I question whether there has been any depreciation at all as regards what is of incomparably greater importance, viz.: the large area of specially valuable land in Victoria. For though a seller of such land might not as readily obtain the same price as in 1889. I have reason to doubt whether, unless under exceptional circumstances, the price to the buyer would be any less now than then. this point I will read what is said to me by a gentleman, whose position

is one likely to render him specially well acquainted with the subject :- The value of Marine and Inland Lots has not in my opinion declined since 1888. The intrinsic values of town and suburban lots have increased within the last two years to the extent of \$2,000,000 at the least by new buildings and improvements. Even where no improvements have been effected n house property in Victoria can be purchased now, under ordinary circumstances, at a suburban property which is occasion-

house which were then pulled down for the purpose of building houses of three stories in their place. During the period of pulling down and re-building there was a dearth of house accommodation and many families left the Colony not being able to pay the higher rates demanded. I find that Chinese tradesmen formerly paying at the rate of \$35 were compelled to pay \$50 a month for rent or leave and lose their bus ness. Then came the over-building, upwards of 700 new houses being built to meet a demand for about 150 houses. The reduction of rents followed of course, but I do not fine that rents in Victoria have decreased excaptineases where they had been previously raised to an almost prohibitive extent, and there is no general appearance of reduction

in capital values." Now though this gentleman may possibly be somewhat over-sanguine in his views, Happily there are indications pointing in invacif have reason to believe them by no the same direction from several other quar- means far from the truth, and I know them ders it impossible to speak with certainty land in the villages. In any case they work absolutely necessary to be done in the America, would render it impossible for March 1891 Mr Rycle laid on the table a is useless. as regards Exports and Imports, it is eatist make clear that some of the causes of factory to find that the shipping statistics | depreciation are entirely consistent with of last year point to an increasing rather the absence of any general decline of pros-

TO SUM UP.

terprises, (2) that owing to the great build- 1892. I am able, however, to say more nearly approaching the average of that it was for him to decide that. An error, that the unofficial members are heated and all the steps Chinese which can be sent things indications of distinctly favourable pended out of Revenue upon public works, the Honourable Mr Whitehead, to the respect to Her Majesty's Government a Colony. They are selected by his and promise for the future, and such, I venture cleewhere ordinarily provided for by Loan, supposed necessity of a Harbour Board, either in substance or form. The standing their Suvereign as his edvisers on all to think, as give strong grounds for the be- but also omits to notice (which is for the chiefly on account of the fact that in orders of the Council impose on the unmatters of law and especially on financial orders of the Council impose on the unmatters. He is the President of the Council of the duty of seoing that matters. He is the President of the Council of the chiefly of the Council of the duty of seoing that matters. He is the President of the Council of the Counc with the right control with the rest and as on many former this year's expenditure which is estimated. Dues had been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold soil and its minerals—will not only equal by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold be minerals—will not only equal been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by them to the Coun- of which they are members entitled to hold been more than sufficient for the Petitions presented by the petition of the restrictive laws in the United States and the precursor of still further increase of Public Works. Allowing for a considerable the completion of the Gap Rock Lighthouse restrictive laws in the United States and Australia. But, however, this may be the correctness of the indication from tonnage that the gloomy antiopar that the great fall in assessed taxes of the volume of trade is increasing was allowed for lower of the Chamber the audient of the Chamber the audient of the Chamber the spect from that the great fall in assessed taxes of Commerces (from the point of view of Excellency was anything but polito in his limited by the Honourable Member. You no appeared that the Great fall in assessed taxes of Commerces (from the point of view of Excellency was anything but polito in his limited by the Honourable Member. You no appeared that the great fall in assessed taxes of Commerces (from the point of view of Excellency they have not had anticipated by the Honourable Member is what I may call the non-local shipowners) reply. He said Mr Whitehead had taken anticipated by the Honourable Member is that the great fall in assessed taxes of Commerces (from the point of view of Excellency they have not had anticipated by the Honourable Member is that the great fall in assessed taxes of Commerces (from the point of view of Excellency they have not had anticipated by the Honourable Member is the constant time. It may be falling off in certain items of Revenue this would probably occur again; and it is moved for loave to postpone his motion on as unfettered by falling off in certain items of Revenue this would probably occur again; and it is moved for loave to postpone his motion on as unfettered by falling off in certain items of Revenue this would probably occur again; and it is moved for loave to postpone his m question, by the statistical report of the last year (for the last year)). uniones of the last year tror will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage coolies whose labour-soiled rage venue, and in the matter of expenditure for I am indebted to will engage the cool in the matter of expenditure for its analysis of the matter of expenditure for its pung to the general trade between China and the moment, in throwing a squalid cover- following January, I am of opinion, as annum, which are mentalized for the benefit His Excellency left it to be distinctly inferred shown anywhere for not answering it Hongkong which are Taels 122,358,507 for Berlier. The only reason given, His Ex-125,841 901 for 1890. Thus the value of world, and avhien I shall still venture to the 3100 000 mentioned by the Honographs the Colony, If the above view is correct as entertained about the ability of the colony is justice, could have been given on the

believe is rightly belonging to her. TAXATION IN HONGKONG AND IN

a mean between the extreme estimates on rates and taxes in an equal or greater degree the New Water Distribution. Works; make would much assist the public in coming to Colony and had twice been balked, and believed, and it ought to be admitted or either side. According to his calculation which are paid by the people of Hongkong. | ing together \$61,000; so that from these a sound conclusion on the merits of the be here shews his willingness to embrace denied. Chinese Banks as compared with 1889 with which the Honourable Mem or has pay interest and I per cent, sinking fund on a statement, warning your read is, of head's motion. \$6,0.0,0 0 for 1839 and \$5,000,000 for this rents. There are few if any important some 80 per cent, on the actual rental. I Contribution. do not forget what the Honourable Mem- As regards the future, though there may official members asked that it might stand ber alleges us to rents here being about be expected some loss in the next sale over until the result of their representa-

income tax, property tax, (in addition to Land is sold, and will even make a consider- begun. the juhabited house tax before mentioned), able advance this year. Indeed the per- That speech ought to be republished servants' tax, succession duties, sometimes | monent revenue from this source will mount extenso, as well as His Excellency's speech tithe rent charge, besides heavy duties on very rapidly, if, as I most sincerely hope the in explanation on the 20 h March, in which of which the Hongkong rate-payer isentirely the commutation for increased rent of a Colony and dilates very fully on its pecuexempt. Indeed if it were fully under- considerable portion of the premiums. There has position and prospects, referring to the right and their duty. porty in the vinages has increased stood here how heavy are the burthens on will always be a strong temptation to aban- island of St. Thomas as a pregnant example in value, particularly at Yaumati, and stood here how heavy are the burthens on will always be a strong temptation to aban- island of St. Thomas as a pregnant example in value, particularly at Yaumati, and the only apparent depreciation is in mich there of the model of the present of what possibly might occur.

> been obtained free or for a comparatively this matter of taxation, I think it well on position and prospects, and if they gave the tion and speech that will entirely remove trescutment, if they feel any. -Yours very small payment, I do not think there would the eve of my departure to correct an impres- unofficial members matter for thought, I your apprehensions and satisfy you that the faithfully, be begrudged a contribution, which is after sion which I may have given in a recent am not astonished. all but a small proportion of the cost of speech, as to the possibility that any subs- 3. At that Meeting of the 20th March defence, if it were understood that our tantial increase of taxation would, by dri- the motion to postpone the consideration of fellow-countrymen at home are far more ving trade away, cause this Colony to meet the Military Revote was overruled of course heavily taxed than we are, and it were the same fate as the West Indian Island by the official phalanx, and His Excellency to put this before you. That course would borne in mind that they are allo e paying of St. Thomas, the dobt which enabled Great Britain and her people all over the world to maintain their independence of foreign domination. and bear moreover not only the whole cost

portion the cost of Colonial defence also.

THE PINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COLORY.

\$1,590,000; the China and Mabila Steam showing a lavourable balance of 53, and do a serious injury to the credit of the abandaned formediately after my re- on the local vessels which contribute pro-The lightion Company's shire, with paid-up though owing to my being quable to get the Colony) will not be pro- portunately by far the larger benefit to the though owing to my being quable to get the Colony) will not be procapital of \$ 75,000 are at about 150 per similar return for former years I do not become necessary to raise a loan for Public caeded with for the present; bear. He resents it the moment any one there has been a temporary cessation of all nothing by the people of this community, and if I had been a member of Council I attempts to read between the lines of his of the Hongkong. Can'on and Micao think the figures at least soggest the proba-Steam-boat Company is worth \$2.660 000. bility that Chinese trade is not falling off. Revenue was likely to dwindle, and why recent telegram from the Secretary of State, gestion for the future, and I may add that the imputation of motives. presumably if confined to its present I question whether of the year any advantage which might otherwise acsources, it would be insufficient to meet there will be more than a very small deficit, crue from a Harbour Board, would be insufficient to meet there will be more than a very small deficit, crue from a Harbour Board, would be insufficient to meet the little and the question he raised. It is very unfortunate that no meet. Turning now to the matter of Bank de existing charges on it, he proceeds to say even if, as I scarcely anticipate, the winds or cased if it were empowered and required was the ability of the Colony to pay both the ing of Council has been hold since and -posits I soo as little ceason for slarm or that the taxes are already very high, and increase of salaries voted by the Council to raise from ships all the funds which have Military Contribution and the increased as no reason given for meetings not being despondency. Having requested informs that though rates at 13 per cont, on the should be approved by the Secretary of to be expended for their benefit, replying to my letter as Manager reiterates I venture to think that in this matter lie has been placed in a position to estimate prospects. his statument made as Member of Council has given a very wrong impression; and in the condition of affairs, will sanction a in respect of the decrease of 'millions of fact, speaking from experience which is by loan for public works such as in every follors, but in this instance limits it to no means a narrow one; I can atate the one of the larger dependencies of the Crown Chinese Banks. Now on this matter of confident belief that with probably the would have been raised long ago. What Chines Banks I have mude enquiries single exception of the people of the Straits should be the amount of such a loan I will from high authorities - Binking and Settlements, if that be an exception, the not undertake to estimate. It of course deothers as well as from the Registrar people of Hongkong are less taxed, and pends on the extent of the Public Works General. The estimates thus received probably for less taxed, than any other which it may be determined to undertake. vary considerably in amount, but I am equally or more important community in But I may mention that from statistics formost inclined to that of Mr Wei Yuk, Com- the whole world having a pretention to nished to me, I estimate at \$50,000 the inpradore of the Chartered Mercantile Bank, civilised Government. There are indeed creased Revenue from the New Central ment of the dates and facts connected with not only because it is the result, I under- within my experience very few cases where Market, from the new or extended depots the present imbroglio between His Excelstand, of careful enquiries at each of the an orban population has not to pay other for cattle, sheep and swine, and from the lency the Governor and the Unofficial Banks referred to, but because it represents heavy direct or indirect laxes, besides all the public laundries, and at \$11,000 that from Members of Council would be of value and discussion of the financial position of the finan

> All things considered therefore, though I advised, on the side of the Unofficial Memyear. Deducting from this decrease the commercial or manufacturing towns in | am by no means sure that some of the in- bers \$800,000 increase in the British Banks, England where the rates are less than 6/- creases of salaries do not require re-consi- 1 .- The trouble takes its origin from the there is left \$200,000 -so that there ro- in the & or 30 per cent, on the rateable deration, I am completely satisfied that date of the Meeting of the Finance Comquires the large decrease of \$1,800,000 in value, and this independently where it has with a very moderate loan for public works mittee on the 26th Feb. last, when the some unaccountable quarter to make up the not been commuted, of some-19 in the £ and in the absence of circumstances impos- Council were called on to authorise the two millions which would be the minimum inhabited house tax on the actual rental; sible to foresee, there is every reason to be payment of a sum of \$123,000 and odd, the a proprietor of houses in the City of Nor- present sources will be sufficient to cover last year, voted originally on the promise wich that the rates there were 18/- in the the salaries, as increased by the vote last of a large increase in the Garrison. This

From further enquiry into this question of their own defence but in a very large pro- (which I may mention only suggested itself to me on the spur of the moment). I tween member and member, but quite out have been led to believe that any apprehen- of place from the Governor, as President April. sion on this score may be entirely dis- and Moderator, to a member. And now as regards the financial position. missed. Without troubling you with all When I read the Honourable Member's the reasons which have induced this give notice of his motion against the pay. to state his reasons in Council, but has not apeech I at first intended to supply in detail more favourable view, I may mention the ment of increased salaries and for a tele- been ab e to get them ready, but they are the results of an exhaustive examina principal one as being that the large size gram to the Secretary of State to withhold substantial. tion of this subject; but this is now impose of the steamers which are ordinarily his sanction thereto, sible consistently with the performance of required to bring goods from Europe and 4. At the Meeting of Conneil on the 26th | a ready decided the question and a telegram short time before my departure, and any them to conduct coasting work on any large protest on the subject of the Military Conregret I might feel on this score is much scale at a profit, and that consequently a tribution, according to notice previously thinks a wholly unjustifiable proceeding. lessened by the consideration that for rea- distributing centre, such as Hongkong given, and moved that it be forwarded to sons above given a general discussion on the and for which no other port would the Secretary of State. financial position is only to an extremely affold anything like equal facilities, is an Mr Whitehead rose to second the motion Council they will agree with him, and put limited extent pertinent to this sub- absolute necessity. And I am further and was interrupted by the President (His off the consideration of the question until To sum up the situation. While it must jest of salaries, and that it had for told and believe that the present tonnage | Excellency the Governor) asking what the next year when it can be more called your be admitted (1) that a large sum of money other reasons be better postponed until dues might be very considerably increased. motion was (Mr Ryrie had stated it clearly sidered. has been lost to the Colony in outside out the consideration of the Estimates for and might be made something much enough), and put it aside with a statement ing operations of recent years, the supply enough to render it clear that our financial other ports, and yet all, or nearly all, the I think, on his part, but that may pass, are taking a heated view on the subject, in of houses is now considerably in excess of position though not wholly satisfactory is vessels which now come here would still He then put the question to Mr Ryrie, other words are not moving under the inthe demand, and (3) that the value of land not one which gives any more reason for have to come here, inasmuch as their It is a perfectly respectful protest I pre- fluence of any honest opinion as to the has consequently fallen below what I not clarm and despendency than the general not coming here would cause them a loss sume? and would not allow it to be laid on financial state of the Colony or of its indistinctly intimated as the inflated values condition of the Colony. I observe the considerably greater than the increased the table till it had been read. His Ex- inability to pay this increase of salaries, but of 1889. Yet on the other hand there are: Honourable Member states that according tax. Whether this view is completely cellency in effect told the unofficial members out of resentment at the behaviour of the (1) in the prosperous condition of all our to the latest official information there will correct, I cannot say; but I believe there that they were perfectly expadie of laying Government, the Governor and the offileading enterprises and industries, (2) in at the end of the year bo a deficit in is at all events sufficient truth in it to on the table a disrespectful protest such as | cials, ament the Military Contribution. the increased quantity of shipping at a time our finance of \$100,000. Presuming him suggest the consideration whether additional he could not allow to go on, and that he life the unofficials had not resented this of anusual degression all over the world, correct, or as I think very possibly revenue might not be raised, or whether must see first what they had said. That, and shown their resentment, they would (3) in the increase of the regular trade of uniter the mark, I need sourcely say with the revenue remaining at the same to put it, in the midest possible form, was have hardly been men. the Colony as evidenced by the Imperial that such a statement without explanation amount the incidence of taxation might not nice and not what is expected from a His Excollency seems to forget that the Customs returns—and considering all things gives a very wrong impression to the Be more fairly distributed to the relief of Governor to the unofficial members of his unofficial members of the Council are not (4) even in the small decrease, if there outside world; inasmuch as it leaves entirely the rate-payers. Attention was lately Council. He had no business to assume officers of his Government. They are men be any decrease, in the Bank deposit out of sight not only the enormous sums drawn by the Chairman of the Chamber of for one moment that the four gentlemen in independent positions of as great trust accounts—there are, I say, in all these which have in the last few years been ex- Commerce and by a question in Council of before him could be guilty of any dis- and confidence as that of the Governor of occasions in the history of Hongkong is mly to cause this deficit, is also for Extraordinary maintenance of the lights, and because on doubt have frequently observed that the I understand in fact not likely to exceed 24 would like the cost of Lights as well as all organisers of Chinese processions, in order per cent.), allowing however I say for a con- Harbour expenses to be paid from the rates, those likely to support him; intimated that affair from the beginning and treated them are barely hidden by coats thrown over the increased Military Contribution, and for besides Lighthouses there are other costly them resplendent in gold and colour. Now the payment under the new instructions services, such as the Harbour Master's Es. Council that if they passed such a resolu- buked it. it seems to me that the Honourable Member during the current year of December sa- ablishment. Harbour Launches, Harbour tion it would have all the appearance of a The unofficial members are right when has reversed this process, and has succeeded laries (amounting to some \$90,000) which Police, and the Observatory, Involving an sudden impulse not to use a stronger ex- they say they regret the delay in answering for the moment, but only I trust for in previous years have been paid in the aggregate expenditure of some \$80,000 per pression Now what does all this mean? their letter. There is not sufficient reason Hongkong usually appears to the outside end of this year be considerably more then maintained out of the ordinary faxation of result of any honest opinions deliberately celluncy's refusal to take part in an act of Member, if the full amount of \$820,000 to the improbability of shipping being dri- to pay the Military Contribution and the 15th April. were to be expended on Extraordinary ven away by the small tax that would be increased anharies, but of temper and of

ation on t e antiject from the four British | rental appear moderate, they are in reality | State. As on the other hand there is likely And now having touched on all the points consequence of ill-health, and every one in If it had been stated that Council was not Banks in the Colony, the snawers obtained heavy inasmuch as rents are here about to be little or none left of our surplus ba- of this question which appear to demand at- the Colony regrets exceedingly the state held because material was being collected from three of them show that as regards | three times as high as in England; in fact | lances, there would in all probability be a tention, I commend those remarks to the of his health and deeply sympath sea with to answer Mr Whitehead's speech and that them, there has been not a dicrease but an he gives the impression to the outside considerable deficit by the end of next year, careful considerable deficit by the end of next year, careful considerable deficit by the end of next year, increase of deposits to the extent of over world that the taxation of the Colony if we continue to defray out of Revenue the Community, with the sincere expression of Governor on Monday, that the issue raised no one would have been astonished; but is 8800,600. The only one of the four which is already exceedingly burthersome, and great drainage and water distribution works my pleasure that I am able on the eve of by Mr Whitchend's motion or speech was it extraordinary, in the absence of an anroturns a decrease, the amount of which is that the Government relations with the now in progress. This however is not my departure from the Colony to take, as I totally unexpected. The notice was clear, signed reason, if the public look for the not stated, is the Bank under the manage- people of Hongkong are analogous to those likely, and there is every reason to believe venture to think on very sufficient grounds, The Colony is not able to pay both the Mi- reason and look for it in the difficulty of ment of the Honourable Member, who in of a landlord with rack-rented tenants; that the Scoretary of State, when he so favourable a view of its condition and litary Contribution and the increased sale. Answering the question of which Mr Ryrie

CORRESPONDENCE.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR AND THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS. To the Editor of the 'Amna Mail.'

Hongkong, 20th April, 1891, Sir. - It seems to me that a short statecourse, beforehand that I am, as at present

and I was informed only the other day by lieve that the Ordinary Revenue from its second half of the military contribution for to the character of the replies to Mr White- than I have. I recognize his great ability I should mention that the Registrar £ (90 per cent.) on the rateable value, or October, as well as the increased Military was put before the Committee as a gevote official members in effect, that they were straightforwardness and his promptness and was forced through, although the unthree times as high as in England, but of the Opium Farm as compared with the tions to the Secretary of State was made on the Military Contribution question, his illness or regrets more sincerely his there as in other passages of his speech large sum obtained for it under exceptional known, the Colorial Secretary, the Attor-I am disposed to think that he has circumstances in 1880 (being some \$246,000 ney General and Mr Deane insisting that unwittingly used the language of hyperbole. per amum higher than previously); there it was a revote only and hardly open to parison of dates and figures. His Excel- ever had. He will not mind being placed No doubt there may be found places in is good reason for anticipating advances discussion. The revote was carried, of lency had intimated the same thing i more second to Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell. England where houses are cheaper by grds in other directions: (1) If at this time course, by the casting vote of the Chairman, carefully-phrased language on a previous Yet I make bold to say that he has been than here, but on the other hand I know of exceptional depression (from which the 2. On the 6th March, when the report of occasion, and his satellites only followed in his dealings with the unofficial well that there are other places where they facts above referred to seem to indicate the the Finance Committee came before the are not only not changer but considerably beginning of improvement), the assessed Council, the unofficial members again asked dearer than here, and judging from what I taxes should prove to have fallen off as for a postponement of the vote on the same and Mr Whitehead's motion was rejected. doing towards him, imputing motives, and have learned from a gentleman specially estimated only 25 per cent., I venture to grounds and were, with some difficulty, experienced in this matter I apprehend that | think in view of the increasing general granted an adjournment of a week that the case would certainly not be understated trade that there is good reason for believing they might consult together and frame if rents here are estimated at double those that this loss will be very quickly com- some protest. His Excellency on that they intend to memorialize, with the position near himself to which of England for houses of equal size in equal- pensated by return to a normal condition, occasion made an important speech, diffily favourable situations as regards similar. even if there should not be, as I con- cult to condense into a short paragraph,) of State on the subject of official salaries, ly important centres of business. The fidently anticipate, a further upward pro- but amounting to this, that he had formerly and asking him to let the Secretary of State difference of opinion on an important mere rates of Hongkong independently of gress in prosperity. (2) The revenue from been of opinion that the Colony was paying the inhabited house tax are therefore profit in subsidiary coinage, so far from a sufficiently large Military Contribution; certainy not above, and probably below, shewing any signs of diminution, tends that he had bad occasion to change his on. The whole of the unofficial members | requested him to refer the question about the average rates of commercial town-steadily to increase. Owing to the exceptivews on the subject while in England; in England, and considerably less than tional demand for these coins, notwith- that he thought the Colony could afford to all those mentioned in the case of Nor- standing the institution of the Canton Mint, pay the present demand, but that the The unofficial members, alarmed at the hand so that the superior may be free to wich; and in this view it is scarcely I have been compelled to raise from Colony had nearly reached the point of necessary to point out that the rate-payer \$1,00,000 to \$1,500,000 the annual requi- danger and would be unable to pay any military contribution, public works, in- He has rejected their appeal and delibeof Hongkong is in an incomparably more sition upon the Crewn Agents; and if the greater deman't without endangering its creased establishments and salaries, honest- rately told them that their proposal inadvantageous position than the English Mint should be able to supply us with the prosperity and power to pay. He inti- ly think the Colony cannot bear this burden volves an act of injustice so flagrant that rate-payer. For the latter has to pay in amount, I anticipate that the revenue from mated his opinion that the Home Governaddition to his local rates not only all other this source for this year will be at ment must have arrived at a somewhat move against the Military Contribution is when they insist upon what is their plain

ed somety from tover-building. A great there would be the same display of policy, and that, if steadily maintained, it since occurred is attributable. I know of the case does not seem to have struck We will respect him still more if he recogincrease in reaches took place in tendence of two-storied opposition to the increased Military Cont. will in the course of not many vents render they made my open my eyes to the two-storied opposition to the increased Military Cont. will in the course of not many vents render they made my open my eyes to the two-storied opposition to the increased Military Cont. will in the course of not many vents render they made my open my eyes to the two-storied opposition to the increased Military Cont. will in the course of not many vents render they made my open my eyes to the two-storied opposition to the increased Military Cont. tribution. For however unpleasant it may it possible to considerably diminish the position of the Colony and caused me to mon, I am collecting statistics and informa- Members of Council nicely and it he admits be to be asked to pay for what has hitherto weight of taxation. And while referring to set to work to investigate for myself its tion on the subject of Mr Whitehead's mo- that they may have some grounds for their

in his reply, before taking the vote, forgot have been intelligible and acceptable. No; himself so far as to speak of the 'heroics so largely indulged in ' by one of the members, and to express his opinion that the member's speech was wholly beside the point. Perfectly appropriate in a debate and be-

up an untenable position for himself and it. He has impugned their metives in this arrived at 'on impulse,' and he told the officers in public Council and has not re-

laries. His Excellency was not present in held. His Excellency's illnessis no reason. ries, was his proposition. Notice of motion | gave notice, and the question of which Mr had been given on the 20th March; and it Whitehead gave notice, about the date of is clear that the scope of it was fully un- payment of the Military Contribution for derstood by the Governor, for in his speech last year? in Council on the 26th March be said, 'I. Many of us have been informed on avregret that the motion is postponed because | parently good authority that the \$123,000 it would have given us an opportunity of revoted in Finance Committee on 26th hearing that which I have invited, discus. February, but not finally voted until the sion on, on two occasions, namely, whither Council Meeting of the 20th March, was in this Colony should pay this vote spart fact paid over to the Military Pay Master from any increase in the Garrison, and also in February, and that the Conneil were

WHETHER WE ARE ABLE TO PAY IT." His Exceller cy had twice invited a general gone out of the Treasury. It may be that the opportunity afforded by Mr White- If Honourable Members of Council be-

entirely taken by surprise by Mr White- a matter at the moment beyond debate. In head's arguments is clear, and that they wonder they are angry. It is very unforwere unable to reply to them is also abun- tunate that no meeting of Council is held dantly clear, but there was no uncertainty or that no reason is given for not holding as to the lesue raised none whatever.

the 11th April. I have already referred er opinion of His Excellency the Governor head's speech. The Attorney General and and immense industry. I know by personal the Acting Colonial Secretary told the un- experience his perfect; honesty and influenced solely in moving the further con- to recognise a mistake and make amends sideration of the salaries question by a when he has in any way gone wrong. No feeling of resentment at being outvoted The Acting Colonial Secretary expended enforced departure. With one exception. half his time in proving the charge by a com- he is the best Governor the Colony has

Three days after, the unofficial members that he has treated them in a manner write their letter to the Governor of the not consistent with their position in the 14th inst., most respectful in form, inform- community, with their personal merits or as is their undoubted right, the Secretary | they have been called by their Severelen. know this and to request him to forbear matter on which they are entitled to have action antil that memorial could be sent an opinion and to express it. They have

enormously increasing expenditure for decide, He has refused to hold his hand. and its threatened augmentations. To he will have no act or part in it; and taxes that are paid here in an equal or least \$90,000. (3) Rent from Land must similar conclusion, as he had received a worse than useless. To move against the right 'they are lectured before his greater degree, but he has also to pay continue to increase in amount as further telegram to stop all public works not yet vast increase of salaries is still open, Aide-de-camp as if they were a parcel of the question being still under considers. Cadets in the Civil Service. tion of the Secretary of State. They want it This is very plain speaking, but it is reconsidered under the new light thrown true, and most people in the Colony, withon it and on the position of the Colony by out upholding the unofficial members in his wine, spirits, tobacco and toa, from all policy should be maintained of permitting the emphasizes the possible danger to the the Governor's own two speeches and their all things, think that His Excellency own subsequent investigations. It is their has made a mistake, wand they hold

plied, as he did later, that he would not him in his illness and sufferings and with those of the people of Hong- when the current account is running low; To me it seems that to these two speeches take any part in what he considered a are heartily sorry that he is leavkong, I am unable to conceive that but I am confident that it is the only sound of the Governor very much of what has wholly improper proceeding. That view ing us. We all respect him exceedingly. Colony can safely pay now and for many years to come the official salaries and the Military Contribution, and I ask you to wait till I am ready, which will be in a few days. -the only raply, wait a few days no reason assigned-and I will let you know what I propose doing.

The Unofficial Members wait till the 20th and write again, asking for a reply, and then comes Mr Deane's letter, of the 21st His Excellency has not telegraphed and

At the same Meeting, Mr Whitehead won't telegraph. He had hoped to be able sede those now used. 1. Because the Secretary of State has

> 2. Because he won't take part in what he His Excellency hopes that when the unofficial members hear his reasons in

Here again is the deliberate insinuation

5. At the same meeting Mr Whitehead freely as he does-nay more freely

It is very unfortunate that His Excel-Public Works. But judging from the rate necessary for the purpose, I think it to be resentment engendered by the result of the long was not present in Council on the 11th Before coming to the financial position of at which the Department works I am dis- well worth consideration whether it should debate on the Military Contribution. His April. If he had been, there would have with 1889. As also indicating that the the Colony, which the Honourable Member posed to think that this estimate of ex- not be imposed to the relief of other forms Excellency in his position, is bound to been some answer to Mr Whitehead's arguvolume of trade is not decreasing I may regards as a unsatisfactory, I think it right, penditure would have been considerably of taxation. If, on a principle which I un- | give the quoticial members credit for act | ment | men mention that from a return jurnished by however invidious may be the duty, of beyond the mark in any circumstances. derstand is in force at Shanghai, vessels, ing from right motives. He has no more any expressions dropped in the heat of the Registrar General, it appears that in I touching on another subject, akin to it, And in view of the fact that some should be exempted from payment more business to impute improper motives to argument. There is in the letter of the last some should be exempted from payment more business to impute improper motives to argument. There is in the letter of the last some should be exempted from payment more business to impute improper motives to argument. There is in the letter of the last some should be exempted from payment more business to impute improper motives to argument.

down Company on which an a; gregate of the first three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months, I apprehend that the three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months, I apprehend that the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months, I apprehend that the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of this year 174 respecting which the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's Peak than one in three months of the Honourable Member's new works, such as Governor's new works, 6. Mr. Whitehead's motion came on on on the face of his communications.

permitted to go on discussing the propriety References to his speeches will shew that of paying a sum of money that had already

lieve that they have been treated as child-That the Governor and the officials were iron in this fashion and allowed to debate

7. That meeting of Council took place on No man in the Colony I think has a highone more deeply sympathises with him in Of course the unofficials were outvoted, them what he has charged them with

There is between him and them agrave Is it or is it not a reasonable request? I mon superior, and meanwhile to hold his

that opinion although they respect him His Excellency might have at once re- most highly, deeply sympathise with

JNO. J. FRANCIS.

A WEST Philadelphian claims to have inented a fluid which will render cloth impervious to moisture.

A commission has been appointed in England to inquire into the effect of coal dust in originating or extending explosions in coal mines.

An electrician who has made a specialty of spectacular electricity says the day is not far off when electrical fireworks will super-

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SUPREME COURT, IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before Mr E. J. Ackroyd, Acting Puime Wednesday, April 29,

U MAN O U SUL WAN : INTROPLEADER. This was an interplender shit in the case of U Man v. U Sai Wan. Mr Caldwell app ared for the clamaois Wong Trin Ku and Wong Ting, and Mr clustings (of Mesus Wotton and Donom's Ilbe) appearud for U-Man, judginentscredator.

Mr Hasem is said judgment was deliverad on 11th December 1889 in favour of the plaintiff against defendant for \$768.40 and costs. The plaintiff was a contractor who built some linuses for the defendant U Sui Wan, and this was money due under the building contract. On the 21st October 1800 a prohibitory order was issued and served on Mr Creasy Ewens attaching 1700 or any other number of Green Island Cement shares in Mr Ewens' hands. On 27th October 1890 a summons was taken out by the plaintiff for the sale of these shares but was not proceeded with. On 12th March 1890 a summons was taken out by Mr. Caldwell's clients Wong Tün Po and He Ting asking that the prohibitory order served on Mr Ewen's might be annulled, Another summons was taken out by the plaintiff asking why a sufficient number of the shares belonging to the defendant and in the hands of Mr Ewens which had been attached by order of the Court should not be ordered to be sold to pay the judgment debt and costs. Then his Lordship made an order that the claimants should pay into Court the amount of the judgment and costs. This had been done. Therefore if his Lordship should come to the conclusion that the defendant has an interest in these shares it would only be necessary to have an order for the payment out of the money paid into Court. The position of the parties before his Lordship was this ;-the plaintiff was an execution creditor and he had attached the shares in the hands of Mr Ewens to eatisfy his claim. Thun the claimants came in and stated that they were entitled to the shares and asked that the prohibitory order be annulled. Under these circumstances it was for the

then called. Creasy Ewens, solicitor, stated that he had held 1700 Green Island shares bolonging to U Sui Wan, which after the owner's departure from the Colony, before the commencement of the suit against him by U Man, were transerred to U Sui Way's concubine (Ro Ting) and mother (Wong Yun Ku.) Witness made the transfer by instructions from U Sui Wan.

Evidence on behalf of the claimants was

claimants to prove their claim.

Cross-examined-Witness had heard that "U Sui Wan left the colony on account of a warrant for his arrest on a charge of forgery. Witness was not aware whether there had been any conaideration for the transfer of the shares; he could not say that any payment had been made by Wong Tun Ku or Ho Ting on account of the shares. He did not think the transfer was made in order to defeat judg ment in the case of U Man v. U Sui Wan. Re-examined—All other claims against U Sui Wan had been paid through witness, who had received in all from \$16,000 to \$18,000 for that purpose. The greater part of this amount had been paid by Wong Tun Ku and Ho Ting; witness could not say the exact amount.

Ho Ting stated that she paid U Sui Wan for the shares on their being transferred to her. Wong Tun Ku corroborated.

His Lordship said he saw no reason to doubt the statement of Ho Ting that the shares in dispute were purchased by her. That being so he held the transaction to be a bona fide one. He found therefore that it had not been proved to his satisfaction that the shares new ibelonged to U Sai Wan or that he had any interest in them. Judgment for the claimants, with costs.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Acting Agent. Hengkong, April 15, 1891.

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, N WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of May, 1891, at Noon, the Company's S.S. DJEMNAH, Com'dant Bonneroy, with MALLS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and OAktio, will leave this Port for the above

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accopted in transit through Marseshes for the principal places of Enrope, Shipping Orders will be grante! till Cargo will be received on board until 4

the 5th May, 1891. (Porcets are not Silk and Valuables for Europe will be to be sent on board; they must be sent at Contents and value of Packages are re- commodation for Visitors.

> G. OR CHAMPEAUX. Agent. Hongkong, April 23, 1891,

Company's Office.

GANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY,

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1891.

Partiria	Tuesday	May 5th.
Empress of Japan	Tuesday	June 2nd,
Empress of India	Tuesday	June 30th,

THE Steamship PARTHIA, Captain J. PANTON, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 5th May, with Her Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VAN-COUVER, viá SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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address marked in full by 5 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. For Further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to ADAMSON BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, April 25, 1891...

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receive prompt attention. In the Event of Complaints being foun necessary, Communication with the Under THE Undersigned, Agents for the above signed is requested, when immediate step L. Company, are prepared to ACCEPT will be taken to rectify the cause of di D. GILLIES. Hongkong, August 25, 1885.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

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Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the

Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c. in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections. L. From Green Islan I to the Gas Works. 7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings. 2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf. S From Blue Buildings to East Point, 3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Mester's O Has. 9. From Kellett's Island to North Point 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Ofice. 10. Kowloon Wharves: 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Olive to Pollar a Wharf. II Jardine's Wharf.

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

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==	Leipzig	German cruiser	3800			Captain Röttger	Yokohama
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	Mandjour	Russian gun-vessel	1100	9	1200	Captain Kass	Shanphai
or	Marios	U. S. corvetta	1900	7	1170	Commander Dyer	Kobe
01	Monopacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	1470	Lieut. Com. M. L. Johnson	Naganaki
or	Omaha	U. S. corveite	2400	12	1150	Oapt. Oromwell	Yokohama
ng.	Palos	U. S. gunboat	420	•	500	Lient Com. Craig	Naposaki
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_	Pluvior	French gunboat	540		420	LieutCommander Lapled	Baiphong
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